OPINION

Now that's entertainment!!

By DAVID BAUM

In an effort to bring some first-class well-known entertainment to perform in Carbondale, the Pioneer Days Committee has ventured out into a large undertaking.

The committee has contracted a top country recording star, Tom T. Hall and his band "The Storytellers" into Carbondale for two shows April 25 in the Carbondale Area High School Auditorium. Along with Tom T. Hall will be a local rising country western-rock band "Old Friends," who have developed a huge following in the Pennsylvania Northeast.

To bring a show of this calibre into the city has required a large investment in order to attract these top entertainers. The committee has stuck its own neck and future out on a limb for one purpose -- to bring back top entertainment for the enjoyment of area residents.

Now if the committee didn't believe that area residents would support a show of this calibre, they never would have invested all the money, time and effort it has taken to bring this show to Carbondale.

Since the Pioneer Days Committee has shown they believe in the community, isn't it time the community show them they believe in Pioneer Days and what they are trying to do?

I think so.

So what can area residents do to show their support?

Very simply, they can please buy their tickets now for the April 25th shows. Why now?

Because according to the contract, so much of the ticket sales money must be deposited with the agency handling Tom T. Hall by the end of this month to guarantee a show -- simple economics in the entertainment field.

The tickets for these shows have been reasonably priced. If there were no need for area residents to buy their tickets now, the committee wouldn't ask them to do so -- they know the tickets would be sold closer to the date of the show to make both performances sellout. But the committee must sell several hundred more tickets to fulfill the signed contract.

So I urge those who have any interest in going to see this show to please buy their tickets now. Ticket sales have progressed so far, but much more has to be done by the end of February to meet the contracted obligations.

Now I know many Upvalley people are disgusted with television shows and the movies Hollywood puts out each year. For these people, here is a chance to see some top-notch, clean and entertaining performers use their talents.

So come on Carbondale, Jermyn, Mayfield, Simpson and all the rest of you area residents. Some people have stuck their necks out pretty darn far to bring some top entertainment to Carbondale -- how about showing your appreciation by supporting their effort and buying your tickets NOW.

Tickets are available from Durkin's Apparel at 40 N. Main Street or Weniger Electronics in Honesdale or from any committee member.

THE CARBONDALE (PA.) NEWS, February 17, 1982, p. 4